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Title: VIDEO RECORDER HAVING USER
EXTENDED AND AUTOMATICALLY
EXTENDED TIME SLOTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTIONMail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This preliminary amendment is submitted in response to the Office action mailed July 29, 2005 and in addition to the Request for Continued Examination transmitted via facsimile on November 29, 2005. This preliminary amendment is also accompanied by a Terminal Disclaimer. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this submission or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1105. Applicant believes that the fees due are \$130.00 for the Terminal Disclaimer.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 8.

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